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MEMORANDUM FOR: OTR/EA/Plans

SUBJECT

: Problem Solving Seminar Number Five

1. I was not here when the proposed Young Professional Course was discussed, but based on the paper and some talks with I have the following comments:

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- a. I find the discussion of the Need extremely vague and I would hope that it could be re-examined to be sure we are not confusing the role of training with that of management, supervision, and counseling.
- b. Why 70 or 80 students? I see no explanation as to how they arrived at this figure.
- c. Grades GS-7 through GS-12 seems a very large spread for any kind of tailored instruction.
- d. There is a course now offered for young professionals called "Introduction to Intelligence." Has this course been examined in light of the expressed needs of the DDS?
- 2. In general I have the uneasy feeling that the seminar chose the unfortunately popular tendency to suggest a new course as the solution to some vague need. My own feeling is that we probably have too many courses now and the priority effort should be to improve existing courses and to meet specific requirements and to examine individual careers to see that the professional, or non-professional, gets the right kind of training at the right time. The proposal as I read it does not seem to move in that direction.
- 3. On page six of the proposal "Opposition Intelligence Services" is listed as something to be presented by the Office of Security. This is of course more properly done by the CI Staff or the Operations School

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4. I am sorry to appear so negative about the proposal but I do believe that more staff work needs to be done before we buy this glob.



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